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22 Sept 80Extract from the Staff Meeting Minutes of 22 September 1980:

The Director, observing that elections are only six weeks away, expressed concern that we pay special attention to specific hot spots; namely, Iran, Iraq/Iran hostilities, Poland, Afghanistan, and the Caribbean. With regard to Poland, the Director observed that the White House was questioning whether or not our Alert Memorandum was serious or an effort to cover all eventualities. With regard to the Caribbean, the Director requested careful analysis of reports that the Sandinistas may have been behind the assassination of Somoza. (Action: NFAC)

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FYI:

The Director related there would be a PRC meeting on Poland sometime this week. Clarke said the necessary charts and updates would be on hand. Clarke observed that if the Director continues to be questioned about the seriousness of our Alert Memorandum re Poland he might mention that on 2 August 1968 a paper on the unfolding situation in Czechoslovakia was prepared and issued but not fully coordinated within the Community and on 21 August, the then DCI was grateful that he had pointed to the seriousness of the situation.

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